

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Art Unit: 3611

Re: Application of: David S. BREED et al.

Serial No: 09/474,147

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Title: SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING THE
OCCUPANCY STATE OF A SEAT IN A
VEHICLE



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 5, 2000

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows (reference is to lines as numbered).

Page 1, line 11, after "abandoned", insert --, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of U.S. provisional patent application Ser. No. 60/011,351 filed Feb. 8, 1996. This application also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of U.S. provisional patent application Ser. No. 60/011,351 filed Feb. 8, 1996 through the parent applications.--.

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